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DATABASE THAT INCLUDES INDICES REPRESENTATIVE OF A TISSUE
POPULATION

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated June 11, 2003 (Paper No. 19) (herein referred to as "Office Action").

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

The three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 11, 2003. Therefore, this Response is timely filed. Should an extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the Commissioner to consider this paper as a petition for such extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.